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TAGS: PFOR, EEC, CSCE, BE

SUBJECT: BELGIAN EC PRESIDENCY; POLITICAL DIRECTORS

MEETING, JULY 7-8: CSCE

REF: A) BRUSSELS 7208, B) STATE 157422

1. POLITICAL DIRECTORS PURPOSE IN DISCUSSING CSCE  
WAS TO APPROVE TWO DOCUMENTS FOR MINISTERIAL MEETING,  
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2. FIRST DOCUMENT APPROVED IS A STATUS REPORT ON THE  
CURRENT BELGRADE CSCE PREPARATORY CONFERENCE. POLITICAL  
DIRECTORS EXCHANGED VIEWS ON WHAT THEY SAW AS A  
HARDENING ATTITUDE ON THE PART OF THE SOVIET DELEGATION  
TOWARDS THE U.S. DELEGATION. IN GENERAL, POLITICAL

DIRECTORS CONCLUDED THAT THE DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED AT BELGRADE ARE IN NATURE AND DEGREE THOSE WHICH WERE FORESEEN. THE PROBLEMS AT BELGRADE SHOULD BE SEEN IN THEIR TRUE PERSPECTIVE, I.E. THE BELGRADE MEETING IS A SIDE-PHENOMENON OF U.S.-SOVIET RELATIONS.

3. SECOND DOCUMENT APPROVED IS A CATALOGUE AND STATUS REPORT ON EC PAPERS UNDER PREPARATION FOR THE SUBSTANTIVE BELGRADE CSCE CONFERENCE.

4. THE PRESIDENCY BROUGHT UP THE U.S. PROPOSAL MADE AT NATO FOR TALKS WITH THE NINE ON (A) MAIN THEMES AND (B) NEW PROPOSALS. POLITICAL DIRECTORS ENCOUNTERED SOME DIFFICULTY IN DISCUSSING CSCE TOPICS DUE TO THE ABSENCE IN BELGRADE OF THEIR CSCE EXPERTS. HOWEVER, THEY ARRIVED AT FOLLOWING CONCLUSIONS:

(A) AGREED TO HOLD DISCUSSIONS WITH THE USG.

(B) THE NINE WILL NOT CONVERT ALL OF THEIR CSCE DOCUMENTS INTO NATO CSCE DOCUMENTS; SOME SHOULD AND WILL REMAIN EC DOCUMENTS.

(C) TALKS AT NATO CANNOT BE HELD AT NATO BEFORE THE END OF AUGUST WITHOUT DIFFICULTY. U.S. NATO WILL BE INFORMED OF PREFERRED TIMING.  
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(D) AGREED ON THE NEED FOR A FULL DISCUSSION OF CSCE ISSUES, BOTH SUBSTANTIVE AND PROCEDURAL, WITH A SPECIAL FOCUS ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND HOW TO TREAT HUMAN RIGHTS WITH THE SOVIETS. SUCH DISCUSSION PLANNED FOR POLITICAL DIRECTORS MEETING SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 5-6.  
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